

DECLARATION AND PETITION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare: that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe I am the original, first, and sole of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled TROWEL BLADE, the specification of which is attached hereto, [OR which was filed on _____ as THORPE NORTH & WESTERN, LLP Docket No. 22569] and given United States Application No. _____]; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, and this petition.

Signed at Snowy (City), Utah (State), this 1st day of APRIL, 2004.

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Beno J. Gundlach Company, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, having a business address of 211 North 21st Street, P.O. Box 544, Belleville, IL 62222, owner of all right, title and interest in the invention entitled TROWEL BLADE for which an application for United States Letters Patent which is being filed concurrently herewith [OR which was filed on _____ as THORPE NORTH & WESTERN, LLP Docket No. 22569, and given U.S. Patent Application Serial No. _____], and empowered to prosecute the U.S. and foreign applications on behalf of the inventors, hereby appoint as its attorneys and/or patent agents the law firm of THORPE NORTH & WESTERN, LLP, having a business address of 8180 South 700 East, Suite 200, Sandy, Utah 84070, and VAUGHN W. NORTH, Registration No. 27,930; M. WAYNE WESTERN, Registration No. 22,788; CLIFTON W. THOMPSON, Registration No. 36,947; GARRON M. HOBSON, Registration No. 41,073; PETER M. DE JONGE, Registration No. 47,521; WEILI CHENG, Registration No. 44,609; DAVID R. MCKINNEY, Registration No. 42,868; STEVE M. PERRY, Registration No. 45,357; GARY P. OAKESON, Registration No. 44,266; DAVID W. OSBORNE, Registration No. 44,989; JASON R. JONES, Registration No. 51,008; ERIK S. ERICKSEN, Registration No. 48,954; JOHN W.L. OGILVIE, Registration No. 37,987; and CHRISTOPHER L. JOHNSON, Registration No. 46,809; all with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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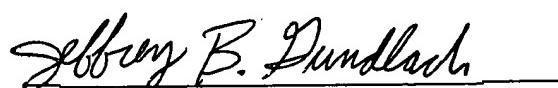
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